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A RESOLUTION to honor outstanding women from Tennessee.

WHEREAS, a group of early western pioneers settled in the mountains of North Carolina known as the Territory of the United States of America south of the Ohio River and convened on January 11, 1796, in Knoxville to form a new government and a new state; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 1796, President George Washington made this territory the 16th state of the Union by signing the bill that created the state of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Tennesseans, proud of their heritage and devoted to their future, have forged ahead in areas of leadership, bravery, and the arts and sciences; women have played a major role in each and every one of these endeavors; and

WHEREAS, eager to enter into a special bicentennial project, the Sixth Grade Blue Team at White House Middle School found it appropriate to research and recognize the outstanding women of the state of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the team sought out nominees from each county to honor as outstanding Tennessee women; and

WHEREAS, each of these outstanding women have made a significant impact in their respective county and our great state has benefited from their laudable actions; and

WHEREAS, as the elected representatives of the state of Tennessee, it is appropriate that we should join with the Sixth Grade Blue Team in honoring these outstanding women who have given unselfishly to perpetuate the public good in their counties and throughout the state:

Bedford County, Dorothy Orr; Bradley County, Emily Jory (Deceased); Carter County, Mary McKeehan Patton (Deceased); Cheatham County, Linda Sloan Fizer; Clay County, Lillian White; Crockett County, Freda Kenner; Cumberland County, Dr. May C. Wharton (Deceased); Decatur County, Iris Adair Evans (Deceased); Dickson County, Dr. Mary Baxter Cook (Deceased); Fayette County, Viola McFerrin; Franklin County, Pam Ledford and Francis Hanger; Gibson County, Caroline Satterfield (Deceased); Giles County, Monte Claire Carpenter; Grainger County, Virginia Leedy; Greene County, Eliza McCardle (Deceased); Grundy County, Minnie Simpson Northcutt (Deceased); Hamilton County, Valerie Copeland Rutledge and Mary Walker (Deceased); Hancock County, Velma Giddings and Cora Robinson; Hardeman County, Elizabeth Ingram (Deceased); Hawkins County, Donna Alvis; Haywood County, Nola Walker Bond and Harriet Dezern Smith; Henderson County, Brenda Fiddler; Hickman County, Sarah Ophelia Colley Cannon (Deceased) and Agnes B. Frye; Houston County, Margie Rainwater Smith and Byde Simpson; Jackson County, Iva Butler; Johnson County, Dorothy Gunn Howard; Knox County, Betsey Beeler Creekmore; Macon County, Thellie Oldham Massey; Madison County, Jane Donelson Hays (Deceased); Maury County, Margaret Dean Akin; McMinn County, Febb Ensminger Burn (Deceased) and Muriel Shadow Mayfield; McNairy County, Nola Wilson Bigger; Obion County, Mildred Elizabeth Roberts; Perry County, Bertha Westbrooks and Lottie DePriest; Pickett County, Irene Harer (Deceased); Polk County, Dr. Phyllis Edwards Miller; Putnam County, Graeme McGregor Smith (Deceased); Roane County, Betty McGlasson; Robertson County, Lena Bransford (Deceased) and Catherine Henry Pitt; Scott County, Erma Massey Walker; Smith County, Annie Hewitt Malone Murray (Deceased); Sumner County, Ellen Wemyss; Tipton County, Elizabeth Huffman; Trousdale County, Eleanor Lipscomb; Union County, Winnie Palmer McDonald; Van Buren County, Daisy Rhinehart; Warren County, Nelma Brown Justin; Washington County, Catherine "Bonnie Kate" Sevier (Deceased) and Ruth Rutledge Boyles; Williamson County, Caroline Winder McGavock (Deceased), Mary Sneed

Jones (Deceased) and Evangeline Bowie (Deceased); and Wilson County, Eddie Smith Clay;
now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING,
That we pause in our deliberations to honor these outstanding women of the great state of
Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared
for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.